

Allotment of DDA Flats

4431. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of such persons who have been allotted D.D.A. flats in spite of their own houses in Delhi;

(b) the number of such persons who have been allotted flats by DDA in different places in different names of their own family; and

(c) the reasons for allotting flats to such persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). At the time of allotment of flats an affidavit to the effect that the allottee does not own a house in his/her name or in the name of his/her dependents in Delhi is obtained. An affidavit has to be accepted as an affirmation of the truth and only if complaints are made, does DDA enquire into the correctness of such an affidavit. Details of such false affidavits wherein it has been conclusively proved that an allottee or his dependent owned a flat at the time when the DDA made an allotment is being obtained from the DDA and will be submitted.

(c) At the time of allotment the DDA has to accept the affidavit furnished by the allottee that he does not own a house in his/her name or in the name of his/her dependents in Delhi. Therefore, the DDA does not knowingly allot flats to such persons.

[English]

Antarctica Expedition

4432. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be

pleased to state:

(a) the names of countries that have entered into agreements with context to the activities being carried out in Antarctica continent and whether India is one of them.

(b) the salient features of the agreement with regard to India;

(c) the area of the continent under the country at present, for the purpose of exploration and research; and

(d) the main result of the studies made by the scientists and the special achievements made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The Antarctic Treaty, to which 39 States are Parties (details are given in statement-I) provides for freedom of scientific investigation and co-operation towards that end. Co-operation between Treaty nations is formalised at Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meetings.

(b) Salient features of Antarctic Treaty and its recommendations are given in statement-II.

(c) Antarctic continent is open for scientific research and widespread research programmes are carried out by different Consultative Parties in different regions.

(d) India has established a permanent station at Maitri (70° 45' 39.4 "S, 11° 44' 48.6 "E) and a supply-cum-summer base camp at Dakshin Gangotri (70° 05 'S, 12° 00 'E). Indian scientists have conducted studies in earth sciences, atmospheric sciences, magneto-sphere, meteorology, biology, oceanography, environmental physiology and engineering aspects. Data and information collected has been published in five volumes so far.

STATEMENT

*Contracting Parties of the Antarctic Treaty**

<i>Countries</i>	<i>Signatories (Date of Ratif)</i>	<i>Adherents</i>	<i>Consulting</i>
1	2	3	4
United Kingdom	31 May 1960		X
South Africa	21 Jun. 1960		X
Belgium	26 Jul. 1960		X
Japan	04 Aug. 1960		X
U.S.A.	16 Aug. 1960		X
Norway	24 Aug. 1960		X
France	16 Sep. 1960		X
New Zealand	01 Nov. 1960		X
U.S.S.R.	02 Nov. 1960		X
Poland		08 Jun. 1961	29 July 1977
Argentina	23 Jun. 1961		X
Australia	23 Jun. 1961		X

<i>Countries</i>	<i>Signatories (Date of Ratif)</i>	<i>Adherents</i>	<i>Consulting</i>
1	2	3	4
Chile	23 Jun 1961		X
Czechoslovakia		14 Jun 1962	
Denmark		20 May 1965	
Holland		30 Mar. 1967	19 Nov. 1990
Romania		15 Sep 1971	
German Dem. Rep. (1)		(19 Nov. 1974)	(05 Oct. 1987)
Brazil		16 May 1975	12 Sep. 1983
Bulgaria		11 Sep. 1978	
Fed. Rep. of Germany		05 Feb. 1979	03 Mar. 1981
Uruguay		11 Jan 1990	07 Oct. 1985
Papua New Guinea		16 Mar. 1981	
Italy		18 Mar. 1981	05 Oct. 1981
Peru		10 Apr 1981	09 Oct. 1989

<i>Countries</i>	<i>Signatories (Date of Ratif)</i>	<i>Adherents</i>	<i>Consulting</i>
1	2	3	4
Spain	31 Mar. 1982		21 Sep. 1988
China	08 Jun. 1983		07 Oct. 1985
India	19. Aug. 1983		12 Sep. 1983
Hungary	27 Jan 1984		
Sweden	24 Apr. 1984		21 Sep 1988
Finland	15 May 1984		09 Oct 1989
Cuba	16 Aug. 1984		
South Korea	28 Nov. 1986		09 Oct 1989
Greece	08 Jan 1987		
Dem. Rep. of Korea	21. Jan 1987		
Austria	25 Aug. 1987		
Ecuador	15 Sep. 1987		19 Nov. 1990
Canada	04 May 1988		

Countries	Signatories (Date of Ratif)	Adherents	Consulting
1	2	3	4
Colombia		31 Jan 1989	
Switzerland		15 Nov 1990	
Total:	12	28	27

* In chronological order as per date of incorporation into the Antarctic Treaty.

(1) It is not a contracting party since both Germanies were reunified.

STATEMENT—II

The salient features of the Antarctic Treaty are as follows:

- The Treaty applies to an areas south of 60° South latitude.
- Antarctica shall be used for peaceful purposes only. Freedom of scientific investigation is protected and international co-operation will continue to that end.
- Nuclear explosions and disposal of radioactive wastes are prohibited.
- All State Parties shall exchange information and take measures to further the Treaty objectives.
- All decisions are taken in the meetings of the Consultative Parties which are held periodically.

The Treaty provisions are supplemented by a series of recommendations adopted through the meetings of the Consultative Parties. These cover a number of subjects of importance to Antarctica. These relate to the following:

- (i) Protection of the Antarctic environment
- (ii) Environmental conduct
- (iii) Environmental monitoring
- (iv) Conservation of Antarctic fauna and flora
- (v) New Islands
- (vi) Tourism and non-Governmental

activity

- (vii) Uses of Antarctic ice
- (viii) Specially protected areas
- (ix) Sites of special scientific interest
- (x) Historic sites and monuments etc.

Industrial Dispute

4433. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received a failure of conciliation Report from the Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central), Vijayawada regarding the industrial dispute between the management of M/s. Singarani Collieries Company Limited, Kothagudem, Khammam, district Andhra Pradesh and the Coal Mines Employees Union;

(b) if so, the main features of the report and the action taken thereon; and

(c) whether the Government propose to refer the dispute to arbitration?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (c). The industrial dispute between the management of M/s. Singarani Collieries Company Limited, Kothagudem, Khammam district, Andhra Pradesh and the Coal Mines Employees Union regarding alleged illegal dismissal of Shri G. Seshagiri Rao has already been referred for adjudication vide this Ministry's order No. L-22012/261/91-IR(C.II) dated 4.12.1991.